

Attorney Docket No. P65678US0
Serial No. 09/582,328

Remarks/Arguments:

Allowed claims 41-48 and 50-52 are pending, with claim 50 amended, hereby.

Claim 50 is amended to correct an error in the examiner's amendment of the claim set forth in the Notice of Allowability (page 2). Prior to the examiner's amendment, claim 50 defined a *medicament* containing 2 limitations (i.e., ingredients) – (1st) one of three alternative active agents together with (2nd) a *pharmaceutical vehicle*. Besides deleting two of the three alternative active agents – "a nucleic acid coding for the serine protease inhibitor, or the serine protease inhibitor and the nucleic acid coding for the serine protease inhibitor" – the examiner's amendment appears to have inadvertently also deleted "together with a pharmaceutical vehicle" – the 2nd limitation on the claimed "medicament."

Deleting the limitation "together with a pharmaceutical vehicle" in the examiner's amendment appears to have been unintended. In any event, deleting "together with a pharmaceutical vehicle" from claim 50 was not authorized.

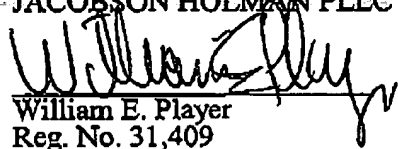
For the foregoing reasons, inserting "together with a pharmaceutical vehicle" back into claim 50, in accordance with the instant amendment, appears to be in order.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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